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Applicant requests that these references be reviewed, considered, and made of record. Applicant further requests that the Examiner initial the enclosed Form PTO-1449 indicating the Examiner has reviewed in the references and return a copy of the initialed Form to Applicant.

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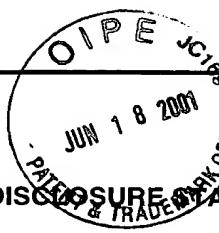
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